

## TURN BACK CALIFORNIA FIRE DEMON

### Third Threat On Mill Valley Is Repulsed By Thousand Fighters—Danger Lurks in Embers—Soldiers, Hikers and Sightseers Join Fighters—Fifteen Injured.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 5.—(AP)—Fire-ravaged Mill Valley escaped the threat of further destruction last night when a new outbreak of the flames in the wooded canyons above the town leaped fire-breaks and roared toward the downtown area, but was beaten back by a thousand fighters who went quickly to the rescue.

It was the third time the fire demon had been turned back since the outbreak of the conflagration last Tuesday. Fire officials said the blaze appeared to be under control, but potential trouble still lurked in the smoldering ruins of homes and wooded areas.

A contingent of United States soldiers, sent from the Presidio here and from Fort Baker and Fort Barry nearby, helped to fight the flames, as did hikers, sightseers and other volunteers. The soldiers were held in barracks at Fort Barry to be of immediate service in case of another outbreak.

Leaders of the fighting forces said that the blaze still was burning fiercely in the brush up the slopes of Mount Tamalpais and that a rise in the wind might further imperil the town.

Elsewhere in California the various fires which have destroyed thousands of acres of grain, forests and grazing lands were reported to be generally under control, but there was anxiety over the situation in the Apache Indian reservation of eastern Arizona, where a fierce fire broke out Wednesday in valuable pine timber.

All communication with White River, the reservation center, was cut off when the single telephone circuit went out of commission, but it was learned yesterday that the flames were sweeping a front of several miles. Clouds of smoke hung over the area like fog.

**Fifteen Injured.**  
Fifteen persons were injured while fighting the Mill Valley blaze. Among them was Joe Peterson, a soldier stationed at Fort Baker, who suffered a broken back.

A crew of officers, armed with rifles, was assigned to patrol the town and prevent looting. Police said several suspicious characters had entered the town.

Fire which had destroyed about 60 houses and 10,000 acres of grass, brush and timber in the Santa Cruz mountains was held in check yesterday by 600 men. Estimates of the loss ran as high as \$20,000.

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## BRICKBATS GREET ATTEMPT TO RUN CARS IN ORLEANS

NEW ORLEANS, July 5.—(AP)—A hall of brickbats greeted the first street car to be operated in New Orleans since the carmen's strike started last Tuesday, and after 20 minutes of operation it was returned to the barn.

The car was manned by imported operators and was guarded by a squad of police armed with sawed-off shotguns and pistols. Strikers and their sympathizers hurled bricks at the car as it went through Canal street, but no serious injuries were reported.

Part of the track was found torn up early this morning on Canal street and a large dismantled steam roller was stalled in the middle of the tracks on Carrollton avenue. When workmen attempted to remove it they were chased away by a crowd of men with sticks and bricks.

## FLIER WAS DOING AIR STUNT WHILE DRUNK IS REPORT

MINEOLA, N. Y., July 5.—(AP)—The report of Dr. Alexander G. Goettler, who made a chemical analysis of the vital organs of Wilmer Stuliz, trans-Atlantic flier who was killed with two passengers in an airplane accident last Monday, declared "the man was very drunk at the time of his death."

The Nassau county prosecutor's office announced Dr. Goettler's findings today. He made the analysis at the order of county officials who investigated the accident.

Assistant District Attorney Philip Huntington said Dr. Goettler's report said there was a "large amount of alcohol in the stomach and brain," that there was "alcohol in the liver and kidney" and "the conclusion is that the man was very drunk at the time of his death."

Stuliz and his companions were killed when his plane went into a tailspin while he was "stunting" at an altitude of 300 feet near Roosevelt field.

## DENNISON RANCH AT BEAGLE SOLD

BEAGLE, Ore., July 5. (Special)—Mrs. J. S. Frink and daughters, Misses Ruth and Eva, were Medford visitors Saturday.

Mr. Dennison has sold his ranch to Mr. Pursell, who we understand is from Medford. Mr. Dennison will leave for Salem in the near future where he will make his home. His many friends here are sorry to lose such a good neighbor and wish him prosperity in the change he is making. Mr. Dennison came here from Salem last fall and purchased what is known as the Richardson place and made many improvements, such as a new house and out-buildings and fences. We also extend the Pursells a warm welcome to our community.

Miss Edna West spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred West.

The young folks met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mayfield last Saturday evening to help their son Herbert celebrate his sixteenth birthday. The evening was spent in games and music. Refreshments were served at 11:30 and all departed for their homes wishing Herbert many returns of the day.

Miss Ella Smith and Ella Blackman were Medford visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Swanson and Mr. and Mrs. Zuck went to Central Point last Thursday, June 27, to the Sunday school conference held at that place.

Another new car has made its appearance in our neighborhood. Wilbur Blackman is now driving a Maxwell.

There was no prayer meeting nor young people's meeting last Sunday evening as every one attended young people's meeting and church services at Central Point.

**Kalama Homes Burn**  
LONGVIEW, Wash., July 6.—(AP)—Seven homes burned at Kalama, Wash., near here, yesterday, enflaming a loss of \$20,000. The flames, fanned by a high wind, quickly spread to nearby dwellings, as it started in the first one of a row. The origin is undetermined.

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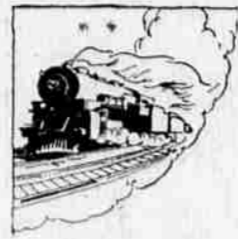
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